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**FCC IT UPGRADES ARE NEARLY COMPLETE; ECFS
NOW AVAILABLE; ALL OTHER SYSTEMS SHOULD BE
AVAILABLE 8 AM THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

The Federal Communications Commission is performing large-scale Information Technology improvements that began on 6 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, September 2, 2015. These efforts continued through the Labor Day weekend and are near completion. *See* Public Notice, “Certain FCC Databases Will be Unavailable and Filing Deadlines will be Extended in Early September to Accommodate a Significant FCC IT Upgrade,” [DA 15-940](#), released August 20, 2015. These efforts involved the move of more than 200 servers and the transfer of over 400 applications associated with those servers. This move to a commercial service provider will help reduce the costs to maintain the systems, improve their resiliency, and allow us to shift legacy applications to cloud solutions in the long term.

As stated in the August 20, 2015, Public Notice, this effort meant that Commission resources normally accessible through the Commission’s web site would be temporarily unavailable, including access to all electronic filing systems and electronic dockets, other than the Network Outage Reporting System (NORS), the Consumer Help Center (CHC), and the Disaster Information Reporting System (DIRS), which have remained available throughout the systems upgrade period. The Commission initially anticipated that systems and databases would be fully available again by 8 a.m. on Tuesday, September 8, as stated in the August 20 Public Notice.

One major database is now available, the Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), and we anticipate that another, the Electronic Document Management System (EDOCS), will be available later today. Because of the extensive inter-dependencies associated with such a server move, we now expect that it may take additional time to finish making available all systems and databases, all of which should be available by 8 a.m. on Thursday, September 10.¹ We also

¹ The systems that we anticipate will be unavailable until 8 a.m. on Thursday, September 10, include, among others, the Universal Licensing System (ULS), the Equipment Authorization System (EAS), the Electronic Tariff Filing System (ETFS), the Experimental Licensing System (ELS), the Consolidated Database System (CDBS), the Licensing and Management System (LMS), the International Bureau Filing System (IBFS/MyIBFS), the Section 43.62 Online Filing System, the Tower Construction Notification System (TCNS), the Antenna Structure Registration System (ASR), the Electronic Section-106 System (E-106), Fee Filer, the Commission Registration System (CORES), the 911 Reliability Certification System, and the National Broadband Map. *See* August 20 Public Notice at n. 1.

anticipate that by 8 a.m. on Thursday, September 10, the Commission's web site will have returned to normal operations, with full content and search capabilities available. FCC voicemail and e-mail should also be fully available by that time as well.

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